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In re Application of

Noribiro Iwai

Serial No.

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PETITION TO ACCEPT DELAYED PAYMENT OF ISSUE FEE **PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. 1.137(b)**

Dear Sir:

Petitioner hereby petitions the Commissioner to accept payment of the issue fee later than three months after the mailing of the Notice of Allowance as though no abandonment had ever occurred. Petitioner hereby submits that the entire delay was unintentional.

The above-identified application was abandoned on January 23, 2002 by failure to make timely payment of the issue fee. Applicant has not yet received a Notice of Abandonment for this application.

The Publication Fee for the current application is due today, February 14, 2002.

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Thus, Applicant hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge the publication fee to Deposit Account No. 50-1290.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the issue fee (set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.18) for other than a small entity and the petition fee required by § 1.137(b)(2) as set forth in § 1.17(m) to Deposit Account No. 50-1290. Any other fees due with this petition may also be charged on Deposit Account 50-1290.

Petitioner is enclosing herewith the issue fee transmittal sheet and formal drawings. Since this utility application was filed after June 8, 1995, no terminal disclaimer is required.

Petitioner is also enclosing herewith a request for change in correspondence address for the current application.

Please direct any inquiries regarding this perition to the Applicant's undersigned attorney who may be reached directly by telephone at (212)940-8712.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda S. Chan

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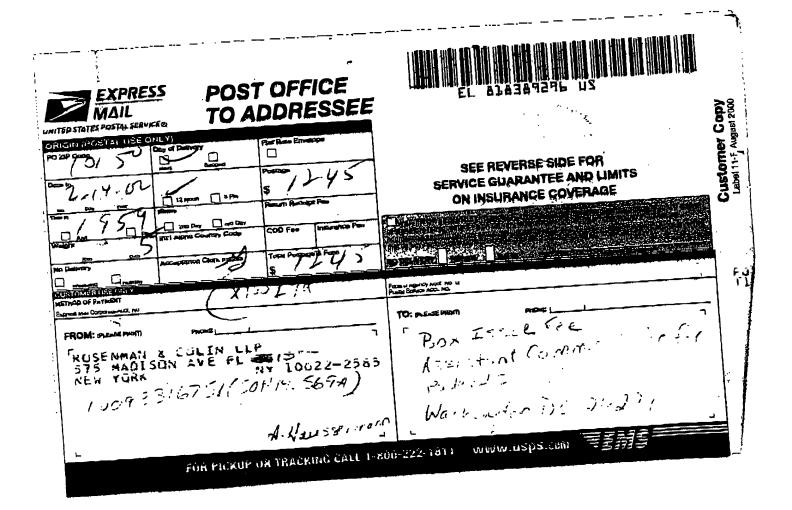
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Statement of G. Valencia Ward-Armstrong

I, G. Valencia Ward-Armstrong, hereby declare that the Perition to Accept Delayed Payment of Issue Fee Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.137(b) filed for the above-referenced application, a copy of which is attached, was deposited with the United States Postal Service as Express Mail on February 14, 2002 (Express Mail Receipt No. EL818389296US).

I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States

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code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any

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Dear Mr. Hawkins:

Further our telephone conference of earlier today, please find following this letter a copy of the petition, which was filed on February 14, 2002 concurrently with the filing of the Issue Fee Transmittal and drawings. The petition requested acceptance of the late payment of the Issue Fee which was due on January 23, 2002. The petition also included instructions for payment of the publication fee which was due on February 14, 2002.

As it appears that the Issue Fee Transmittal was received and processed, I am not including a copy of the Issue Fee Transmittal or the drawings with this paper. Also enclosed is a statement from G. Valencia Ward-Armstrong, who signed the Certificate of Mailing under 37 CFR § 1.10 affixed to the paper, attesting to the deposit of the petition with the U.S. Postal Service on February 14, 2002.

In further support of the submission of the petition on February 14, 2002, also enclosed is a print-out from the United States Postal Service's web site indicating delivery of the package sent as Express Mail Receipt No. EL818389296US. Also enclosed is a copy of the return postcard indicating receipt by the office of the Issue Fee Transmittal and drawings. Please note, as a result of a clerical error, the petition was not noted on the return postcard. However, as the petition was filed concurrently with the issue fee transmittal, it is believed that the receipt of the Issue Fee Transmittal evidences receipt by the office of the petition.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully requested that the petition filed February 14, 2002 be entered and the delayed payment of the issue fee for U.S. Patent Application no. 09/888,930 accepted such that the application may proceed to issuance.

Please feel free to contact me directly by telephone to (212)940-8712 should you require any further documentation or have any questions regarding this paper or the petition filed on February 14, 2002.

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It is believed that no fee is due with this paper. However, any fee that may be due with this paper may be charged on Deposit Account No. 50-1290.

Sincerely,

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Attachments